

DRAFTER'S NOTE
FROM THE
LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

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1. I used under 100,000 for the population of the counties in which businesses receiving 30% of the financial assistance must be located. This number just barely includes Fond du Lac County, for now, and excludes such counties as Marathon, La Crosse, Washington and Sheboygan, as well as larger counties.

Do you have or have access to a 1997-98 Wisconsin Blue Book? If so, look on page 708 for the populations of the counties. Let me know if you want to raise the population limit used in this draft.

2. I specified that 30% of the financial assistance provided in a fiscal biennium should go to businesses in counties with low populations. I thought that this would be better than using a fiscal year in case applications from those businesses come in more heavily in one fiscal year than in another. Do you want to make any changes?

3. If this draft is introduced as a bill before the budget bill passes, note two things:

(a) Section 16.47 (2), stats., provides that before passage of the budget bill neither house may pass a bill that increases the cost of state government by more than \$10,000 annually unless the governor, the joint committee on finance or, in some cases, the committee on organization of either house recommends passage of the bill as an emergency appropriation bill. (Because s. 16.47 (2), stats., establishes a rule of legislative procedure, the legislature determines the extent to which the rule is enforced.)

(b) The budget act will repeal and recreate the appropriation schedule under s. 20.005 (3), stats. Thus, if this proposal is enacted before the budget, any changes to the schedule made by this proposal will be superseded by the budget bill unless the changes are either incorporated into the budget bill or delayed to take effect after the enactment of the budget bill.

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